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SUBJECT: PRESS REACTION TO TRUDEAU VISIT

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1. IN LEAD EDITORIAL OF DECEMBER 7 WEEKEND ISSUE FRANCOPHONE DAILY LA PRESSE LAYS BLAME FOR TENSE RELATIONS BETWEEN U. S. AND CANADA ON LACK OF CONSISTENCY IN CANADIAN POLICY. REFERRING TO MR. TRUDEAU'S REACTIONS TO PRESIDENT NIXON'S 1972 ASSURANCES OF NONINTERVENTION IN CANADIAN AFFAIRS, TO RECENT CANADIAN STANDS ON MATTERS OF BEEF IMPORTS AND OIL EXPORTS, WRITER SAYS CANADA ALTERNATES BETWEEN POLICY OF INDEPENDENCE AND OF SUBJECTION. WRITER APPROVES CURRENT RISE IN CANADIAN NATIONALISM BUT MAINTAINS CANADA MUST DEVELOP FIRM LONG-TERM POLICY IF IT EXPECTS TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY BY U.S. IN ARTICLE FROM ITS OTTAWA BUREAU WHICH APPEARED IN SAME EDITION, LA PRESSE SAYS PM WENT TO WASHINGTON TO EXPLAIN CURRENT CANADIAN POLICY. LA PRESSE ADDS THAT THE TWO LEADERS ESTABLISHED A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP, WHICH IS ALL THAT CAN BE EXPECTED FROM A FIRST MEETING.

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2. MONTREAL NEWSPAPERS OF DECEMBER 10 DID NOT COMMENT ON

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